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1895

Asa B. Friend Farm

Hoyes

Private

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This house was built by Asa B. Friend circa 1895. The farm includes many well finished outbuildings.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Asa B. Friend Farm

AND/OR COMMON

"Flat Rock Farm"

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Friendsville-Hoyes Rd. W side, MD Rt. 42, approx. 1/2 mi. S
of junction with Bishoff Rd.

CITY, TOWN

Hoyes

☒ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Garrett County

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Hubert A. Friend

Telephone #: 746-5218

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

☐ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

Liber #: 244

Folio #: 138

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland 21550

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

None

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Asa B. Friend Farm is located on the W side of MD Rt. 42, approximately ½ mile S of its junction with Bishoff Rd. The farm consists of a house, two barns, and several outbuildings.

The main house is a two-story, gable-roofed, T-plan dwelling with a symmetrical three-bay facade. The facade points E. The sides of the T are filled in by one-story, enclosed shed porches. A one-story open shed porch runs the length of the facade.

The house rests on a cut stone foundation. The walls are constructed of vertical planks and covered with German siding, which has subsequently been covered with green asbestos siding and dark green painted cornerboards. The windows are 2 over 2 sash, with pedimented window heads and plain board surrounds, also painted dark green. The facade door is surmounted by a rectangular, 2-paned transom. The roof has a cross gable on the facade (E elev.), and is covered with diamond-shaped asphalt shingles. All porch roofs are covered with plain asphalt shingles.

The house has one interior brick flue just north of the cross gable. The facade porch is supported by 6 turned posts which feature quarter-round brackets and drop spindles.

Behind the main house is a smaller dwelling, currently unoccupied. It is a 1½ story, 3-bay by 2-bay house, facing E. The walls are covered with red asphalt siding. The windows have six lights, with pedimented window heads and plain board surrounds. In the center of the facade is a vertical board door with a pedimented door head. There is another door on the west elevation with a bracketed hood. A shed porch, supported by two turned posts with a turned balustrade, covers the facade door and windows. All trim is painted white. The gable roof is covered with corrugated metal. On the north elevation is an exterior cinderblock flue.

To the NW of the smaller dwelling is a two-story, board-and-batten, gable-roofed springhouse with a poured concrete foundation. The facade (NE elev.) has two vertical board doors: one to the E at ground level, and one at the second floor level, reached by a wood ladder. The springhouse is painted red with white corner boards and has a corrugated metal roof. The spring issues from the NW elevation.

To the W of the main house are two frame barns, one to the W of the house and one to the NW. Both barns have gable roofs, with shed roof additions and stone foundations.

Also to the NW of the main house is a two-car garage and several other farm outbuildings. All outbuildings and barns are painted red and trimmed in white.

The drive to the farm runs approximately 1/10 mile west from MD Rt. 42, and is lined with rows of sugar maples, planted approximately fifty years ago by the present owner.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Asa B. Friend Farm is an excellent example of a late 19th to early 20th century farmstead. The general placement and configuration of the farm buildings is typical of many farms which formed part of Garrett County's economy at that time. In addition, the completeness and compatibility of the farm buildings and the conscious effort to unify their exterior finishes with that of the main house is an exceptional feature of this farm.

The house, built ca. 1895 by Asa Friend, is a particularly fine example of the 3 bay by one bay T-plan type found in this area. The pedimented window heads, cross gable with barge board, and turned porch posts with brackets indicate the builder's close interest in decorative detail. This interest is carried over to the smaller dwelling behind the main house, believed to predate the main house. Here the pedimented window heads seem to be forerunners of those on the main house. All out-buildings exhibit, in their window surrounds, corner boards, and other finishing touches, a coherence and unity that is unusual in most Garrett County farms.

Little is known about Asa B. Friend, the builder of this farmstead and father of the current owner. He began his land acquisitions in this area in 1892. He gradually accumulated a property totalling approximately 115 acres, which was conveyed to his son by his widow in 1947. The son has lived on the property since that time.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Ann Burns, Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust/Bureau of Mines

DATE

March 1981

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

(301) 269-2438

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis.

STATE

Maryland 21401

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

Chain of Title

G-III-A-061 Asa B. Friend Farm

244/138 From: Walter W. Dawson, Trustee
10-27-62 To: Hubert A. Friend
Deed Consideration: \$1.00

All lands

244/136 From: Hubert A. Friend
10-25-62 To: Walter W. Dawson, Trustee
Deed Consideration: \$1.00

All lands, including the following parcels:

1. 2 pieces of land, 54 acres, 16 perches, conveyed to Asa B. Friend from John Spoerlein on 3-3-1892
L/F: 19/420; Consideration: \$1,700
2. A lot with road, conveyed to Asa B. Friend from John Spoerlein on 3-30-1893
L/F: 22/395; Consideration: \$5
This was a lime lot, and part of the tract "Gleanings"
3. Military Lots 1573 and 1571, 23 acres, 32 perches, conveyed to Asa B. Friend from George W. Custer on 11-23-1895
L/F: 28/481; Consideration: \$394.40
4. 1 piece of land, 12 acres, 24 perches, conveyed to Asa B. Friend from S. K. Welch on 6-23-1902
L/F: 42/137; Consideration: \$120
5. 1 piece of land, 25 acres, conveyed to Asa B. Friend from James W. Friend on 12-5-1903
L/F: 46/344; Consideration: \$400
This was part of a larger tract of 152½ acres

149/372 From: J.N. Friend
5-12-47 To: Hubert A. Friend
Deed Consideration: "certain good and valuable considerations and... the sum of \$10"

Jennie N. Friend, widow of Asa B. Friend, conveyed her interest in the property to Hubert A. Friend

E/12
11-17-37

Last will of Asa B. Friend
"... I give, devise and bequeath all of my estate both
real and personal to my wife Jennie N. Friend and my son
Hubert A. Friend (Share) and Share alike..."

Parcel #1:

19/420
3-3-1892
Deed

From: John Spoerlein
To: Asa B. Friend
Consideration: \$1,700

2 pieces of land, 54 acres, 16 perches

10/248
4-25-1885
Deed

From: Brison Welch
To: John Spoerlein
Consideration: \$750

6/514
7-11-1882
Deed

From: Albert and Margaret Welch
To: Brison Welch
Consideration: \$600

5/25
4-13-1880
Deed

From: Josiah H. and Robert H. Gordon
To: Albert Welch
Consideration: ?

Part of the "Gleanings" and "Shepherd's Tent"
the Gordons were Trustees in Equity Case #840

Parcel #2:

22/395
3-30-1893
Deed

From: John Spoerlein
To: Asa B. Friend
Consideration: \$5,00

11/685
9-19-1886
Deed

From: George W. and Mary Jane DeWitt
Rufus and Maggie DeWitt
Josiah & Robert Gordon, Trustees in Equity case #840
To: John Spoerlein
Consideration: \$3.00/acre

Parcel #3:

28/481
11-23-1895
Deed

From: George W. Custer
To: Asa B. Friend
Consideration: \$394.40

Parts of Military Lots 1573 and 1571, 28 acres, 32 perches

Stop here

Parcel #4:

42/137
6-23-1902
Deed

From: S.K. Welch
To: Asa B. Friend
Consideration: \$120

12 acres, 24 perches
Stop here

Parcel #5:

46/344
12-5-1903
Deed

From: James W. Friend
To: Asa B. Friend
Consideration: \$400

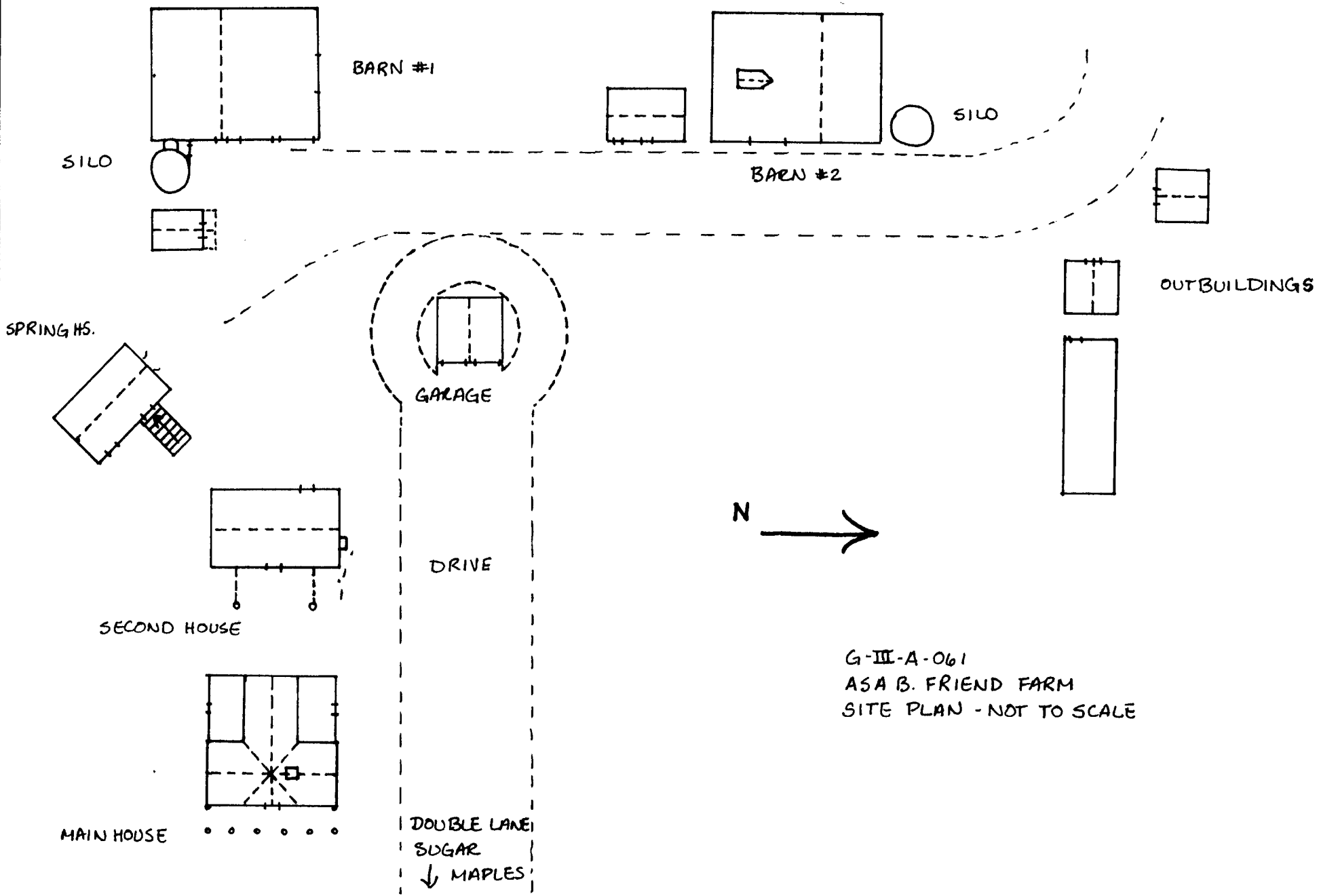
46/340
12-9-03
Deed

From: Brison Welch
To: James W. Friend
Consideration: ?

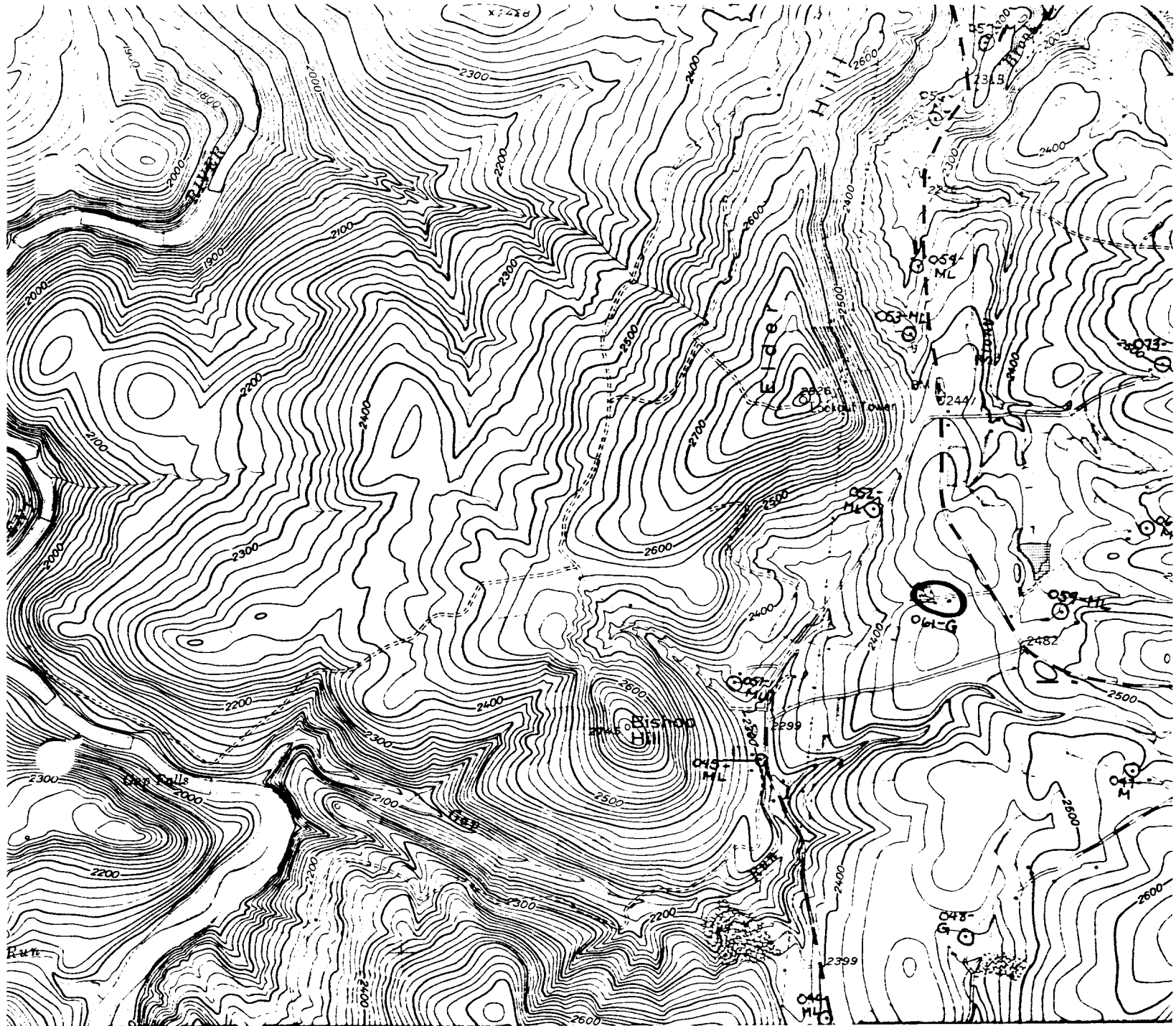
6/514
7-11-1882
Deed

From: Albert and Margaret Welch
To: Brison Welch
Consideration: ?

parcel then reverts to Parcel #2



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ASA B. FRIEND FARM
SITE PLAN - NOT TO SCALE



Sang Run, MD.-WV.
USGS 7.5 minute series
Scale - 1:24000
1947; photorevised 1974

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Asa B. Friend Farm
West side, MD Rt. 42, approx. $\frac{1}{2}$
mile south of its junction with
Bishoff Rd.



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Garrett Co., MD

Photo: M. Stinson 14 Nov. 1980

S elev; Facade-E elev.



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N & W elevs.



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Hs. B: S & E elevs.



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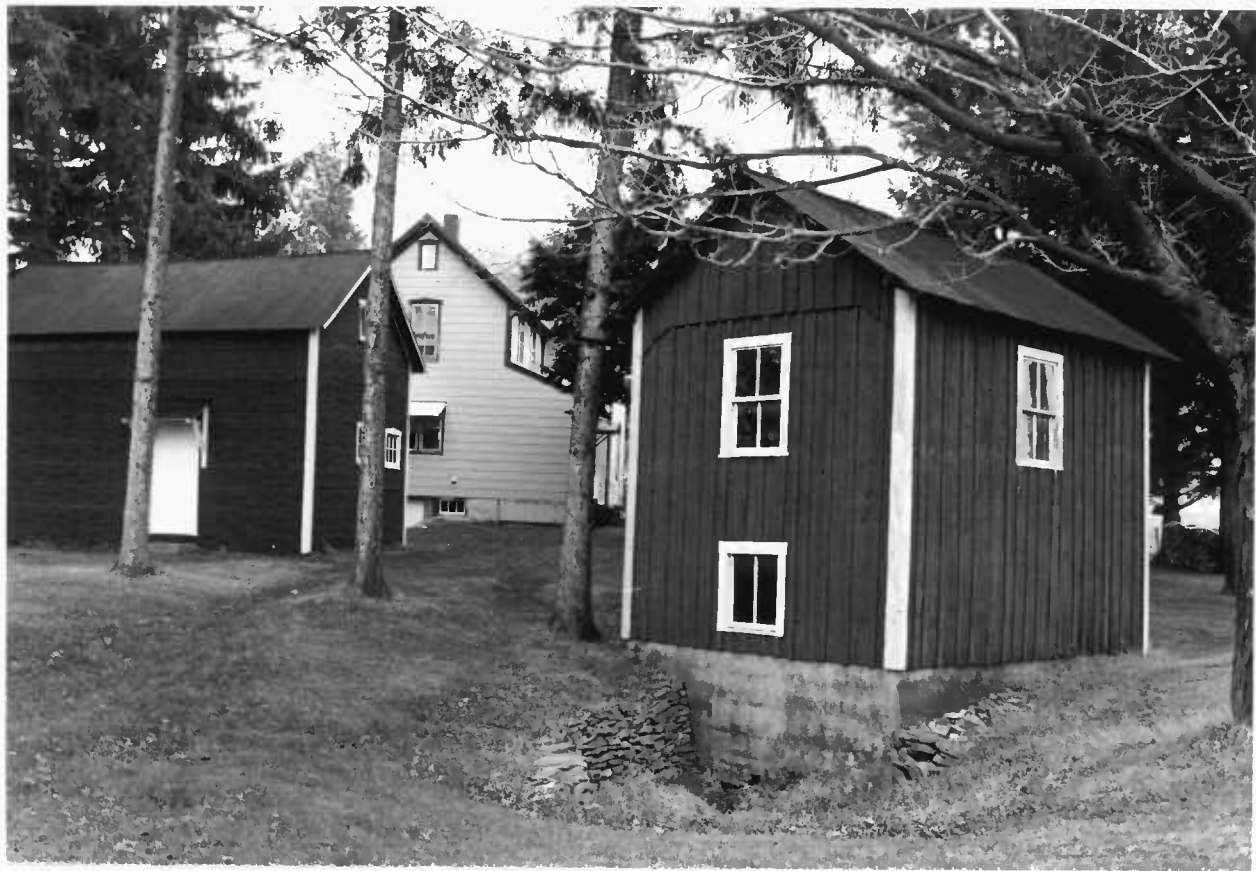
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Flat Rock Farm

Garrett Co., MD

Merry Stinson 11/14/80

Springhouse, NE elev.



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Flat Rock Farm

Garrett Co., MD

Merry Stinson 11/14/80

Springhouse & hs. B Looking E



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Barn 1, S 4 E Elevs